



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Santa Barbara Airport Master Plan Initial Public Workshop** ***March 28 at 6pm***

**SANTA BARBARA, CA – March 22, 2012**

The **Santa Barbara Airport** invites interested members of the public to attend the first of four public information workshops on March 28, 2012 from 6:00pm to 7:30pm to discuss the ongoing preparation of a new Master Plan for the **Santa Barbara Airport**.

***Workshop Location:***

**Santa Barbara Airport Administration Building**  
**601 Firestone Road**  
**Santa Barbara, California 93117**  
(next to the Elephant Bar Restaurant)

The workshop will be an open house format with exhibits on display, along with Airport staff and aviation consultants on hand to answer questions regarding the Airport and the planning process. Interested parties may drop by any time between 6:00pm and 7:30pm.

The Airport Master Plan is an evaluation of current and forecasted airport activity, facility requirements, and a review of various alternatives for Santa Barbara Airport. The objective of the Airport Master Plan is to provide guidance for future development which will satisfy aviation demand in an environmentally and fiscally responsible manner while adhering to appropriate Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) safety design standards. Alternative development scenarios will be devised, each satisfying projected needs in a unique way. Through coordinated review by the City of Santa Barbara, the FAA, Airport users, and the public, a recommended development concept will evolve which will serve as a guide to realistic and achievable Airport development. The Plan will then act as a guide to aid local, state, and federal decision-makers when considering Airport improvements.

An Airport Master Plan Advisory Committee has been created to assist in the planning process. The Committee includes interested residents, Airport users, and representatives from local, state, and federal agencies, who will meet during the course of the Master Plan process to review the work of the aviation consultants and offer advice and suggestions.

In addition to the public workshops, information will be available on [FlySBA.com](http://FlySBA.com), where the public can obtain information on the status of the [Plan](#) and download and review [Plan](#) materials. The airport consulting firm Coffman Associates, Inc. has been retained to draft the Plan. This Plan is funded by the City of Santa Barbara and the Federal Aviation Administration.

For more information, please visit the Airport's website: [FlySBA.com](http://FlySBA.com), or contact Hazel Johns, Assistant Airport Director at 805.967.7111.

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